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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The references listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08a (08-08) relate to the subject matter of the present invention and are brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.98.

The Japanese Office Action dated January 8, 2008 was received in the corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-558289 filed July 6, 2004. The English language translation of the Office Action was provided by our Japanese associates. The Japanese Office Action identifies four (4) Japanese references which are cited herein. Japanese references H04-048059, H02-148823 and S59-100618 are not in the English language, and neither an English language abstract or English language counterpart could be located. For JP S63-099912 an English language counterpart EP0247359 has been provided. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3)(i) and MPEP 609 a concise explanation of the non-English language information has been provided.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicant states that each item of information contained in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication in the counterpart Japanese Application No. 2003-558289 on January 8, 2008 and is being submitter after the date of mailing of the first Office Action on the Merits issued in the subject application.

Therefore, the fee required with this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being paid at the same time this supplemental IDS is being filed via on-line EFS.

While this statement contains all the relevant information presently known to the applicant, it should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no other relevant information exists. Also, this statement should not be interpreted as a representation that any cited reference is prior art, or that any cited reference is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR '1.56. The applicant invites the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of each cited reference, copies of which are enclosed, to determine their relevance to the subject matter of the present application.

Finally, the applicant urges that the claims are patentable over the disclosed information.

Respectfully submitted,

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